

## 2004 Tropical Cyclone Fatalities

The 2004 Atlantic Basin tropical cyclone season was active and extremely destructive with 16 named storms. This number is down from 2003 with 21 named storms; however 2003 did not bring as many highly destructive storms. Of the 16 tropical cyclones, 9 had wind speed measuring hurricane force, compared to 7 in 2003. Males were hurricane victims almost twice as often (65%) 22 as women with (35%) 12 of deaths in 2004. Unlike most years when the most dangerous place to be in a tropical cyclone was outside, this year those who did not evacuate their homes were most severely hit with 38 deaths, followed by 18 outside and 15 in vehicles.

For the second year, the Pacific Basin logged 16 named storms, 6 Hurricanes and 10 Tropical Storms.

In August and September, Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan and Jeanne made landfall in Florida traveled up through the Southeast to Virginia and Maryland claiming 34 lives and accumulating an estimated \$18.9 billion in damages.

### 2004 TROPICAL CYCLONE FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION

<u>STATE</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>IW</u>	<u>LS</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FL	1	1	0	0	4	4	4	12	0	3	29
MS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
PR	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>101*</b>

(\* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

### 2004 TROPICAL CYCLONE FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER

	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	1	0	0	1	3
10 TO 19	0	1	0	1	3
20 TO 29	0	2	0	2	6
30 TO 39	2	2	0	4	12
40 TO 49	1	6	0	7	21
50 TO 59	2	5	0	7	21
60 TO 69	1	0	0	1	3
70 TO 79	2	2	0	4	12
80 TO 89	3	3	0	6	18
90 TO --	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	0	1	0	1	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>102*</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	

(\* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

#### LEGEND

**BO** - Boat  
**BU** - Business  
**IW** - In Water  
**LS** - Long-Span Roof  
**MH** - Mobile Home  
**OT** - Other/Unknown  
**OU** - Outside Open  
**PH** - Permanent Home  
**SC** - School  
**VE** - Vehicle